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For nearly forty years, the U.S. has worked together with the people and Government of Bolivia in the fight against narcotrafficking. During those years, our two countries, together with other partners, have successfully prevented the narco-violence and narco-terrorism that plague other countries in the region from taking root here.

Out of respect for Bolivian sovereignty and for the desire of the Bolivian Government to nationalize the counternarcotics effort, the U.S. has made the decision to close our counternarcotics assistance office (commonly known as NAS). We are proud of the successes that the Bolivians and we have achieved in our joint struggle during these decades. We look forward with hope to seeing continued success on the part of the Government of Bolivia as they assume responsibility for this important ongoing effort.